

## **United States European Command**

# **GENERAL JAMES L. JAMERSON Deputy Commander in Chief**

General James L. Jamerson is Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany. He oversees the daily activities of a unified command with an area of responsibility encompassing 83 countries and more than 13 million square miles. The command supports and advances U.S. interests and policies throughout the area. Also, it provides combat-ready forces in support of U.S. commitments to the NATO Alliance.

The General was born and raised in Chapel Hill, N.C., and entered the Air Force in 1963 following graduation from the U.S. Air Force Academy. He has commanded two Air Force fighter wings, a joint task force during Operation Desert Storm and a combined task force in humanitarian operations in Turkey and Iraq. He has also served in the Pentagon and on the NATO staff at Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe and as an Air Combat Command Numbered Air Force Commander. Before assuming his current position, he was Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe and



Commander, Allied Air Forces Central Europe, with headquarters at Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He is a Command pilot, having flown more than 5,000 hours, principally in attack and fighter aircraft. He flew 184 combat missions in Southeast Asia in the A -1 Skyraider.

General Jamerson and his wife, Lynda, have a married daughter, Bridget, and a son, James.

### **EDUCATION:**

- 1963 Bachelor's degree in military science, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- 1966 Squadron Officer School, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
- 1972 Master's degree in business administration and management, Auburn University, Alabama.
- 1972 Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
- 1975 Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Fort Leslie J. McNair, Washington, D.C.
- 1981 Graduate Studies, International Relations, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

- 1. May 1963-August 1964, student, pilot training, Webb Air Force Base, Texas.
- 2. August 1964-December 1967, T-38 instructor pilot, Webb Air Force Base, Texas.
- 3. December 1967-May 1968, A-1E combat crew training, Hurlburt Field, Florida.
- 4. May 1968-June 1969, A-1E close air support and search and rescue pilot, 602nd Air Commando Squadron, Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base and Nakhom Phanom Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand.
- 5. June 1969-August 1971, AT-33 fighter lead-in instructor pilot, A-7D pilot, 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, South Carolina.
- 6. August 1971-August 1972, Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama.
- 7. August 1972-August 1976, staff officer, Operational Requirements and Contingency Plans Division, Headquarters Pacific Air Forces, Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.
- 8. August 1976 June 1981, A-7D Aircraft Commander; Chief of Safety; Squadron Operations Officer;

- Squadron Commander; and Assistant Deputy Commander for Operations, 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing, England Air Force Base, Louisiana.
- 9. June 1981-August 1982, student, Air Force Institute of Technology, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- 10. August 1982-July 1984, Chief of Pacific, Mid-East/Africa, and Policy Divisions, Directorate International Programs, Headquarters U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.
- 11. July 1984-May 1985, Vice Commander, 354th Tactical Fighter Wing, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S.C.
- 12. May 1985-February 1987, Commander, 23rd Tactical Fighter Wing, England Air Force Base, Louisiana.
- 13. February 1987-January 1989, Commander, 56th Tactical Training Wing, MacDill Air Force Base, Florida.
- 14. January 1989-November 1991, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations; later, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.
- 15. November 1991-August 1992, Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Mons, Belgium.
- 16. August 1992-July 1993, Vice Commander in Chief, Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.
- 17. July 1993-July 1994, Commander, 12th Air Force and U.S. Southern Command Air Forces, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona.
- 18. July 1994-July 1995, Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe, and Allied Forces Central Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.
- 19. July 1995 present, Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany.

#### FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Command pilot, parachutist Flight hours: More than 5,000

Aircraft flown: A-1, A-7, A-10, AT-33, B-52, C-20, C-21, C-27, C-130, F-16, 0-2, T-38, and U-2

### MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Distinguished Service Medal

Distinguished Service Medal

Silver Star

Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster

Distinguished Flying Cross with two oak leaf clusters

Meritorious Service Medal

Air Medal with nine oak leaf clusters

Vietnam Service Medal with four bronze service stars

Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal

### **EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:**

Second Lieutenant	Jun 5, 1963
First Lieutenant	Dec 5, 1964
Captain	Mar 10, 1967
Major	Jan 1, 1972
Lieutenant Colonel	Nov 1, 1977
Colonel	Jun 1, 1981
Brigadier General	Feb 1, 1988
Major General	Aug 1, 1990
Lieutenant General	Aug 1, 1992
General	Sep 1, 1994